



# COCHISE COUNTY ELECTIONS/SPECIAL DISTRICTS

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## COCHISE COUNTY Hand Count / Early Ballot Audit Report

### **Synopsis:**

Pursuant to A.R.S. §16-602 (B), Cochise County conducted the hand count/early ballot audit for the November 2, 2010 General Election. 2% of precincts were counted as required by statute, which amounted to 2 precincts out of 64 total precincts.

The hand count began on November 3, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. when Vera Hylsky, Republican Party Chair and Carol Bernal Democratic Party Representative, met to select the races, precincts, and early ballot audit batches to be counted. All ballots were accounted for in the central counting location before the selection process started. The selection order was chosen by lot, and the Republican Party was chosen to go first.

With the order established, the specific precincts to be counted were selected with the County Party Representatives alternating the selection. Once the precincts were chosen, the races to be counted were selected.

Four contested races were chosen as required by law. Specifically, the following list displays the contested races that were counted:

Federal Race – *U.S. Representative* - (64 possible precincts to count)

Statewide Race – *Governor* - (64 possible precincts to count)

Legislative Race – *State Senator Dist. 25/30* - (64 possible precincts to count)

Statewide Ballot Measure Race – *Proposition 203* - (64 possible precincts to count)

The master precinct and race selection lists are attached for review. The physical hand count started at 2:15 p.m. on November 3, 2010 and was concluded at 4:45 p.m. on November 3, 2010. The tabulation method used was the stacking method. The hand count was conducted by 3 boards made up 4 members, of which not more than 2 members were from the same political party. This hand count included votes cast on the optical scan devices from the selected precincts.

### **Early Ballot Audit:**

1% of early ballots were audited as per Arizona State Law. The early ballot audit consisted of 1 batch, 7 M-100's, containing 280 early ballots. There were a total of 18,405 early ballots cast in Cochise County for the 2010 General Election.

### **Comments:**

There were discrepancies between the hand count total and the machine count total for some offices as follows:

Early Ballot Audit Batch 1 Governor's Race, Candidate Hess: Hand Count 3, Machine Count 2

Early Ballot Audit Batch 1 Ballot Measure Race, Prop. 203, YES votes: Hand Count 128, Machine Count 127

Precinct Ballot Audit for #32 St. David

US Representative Race, Candidate Kelly: Hand Count 363, Machine Count 361

State Senate District 25 Race, Candidate Griffin: Hand Count 384, Machine Count 383

Ballot Measure, Proposition 203, NO votes: Hand Count 296, Machine Count 295

The Hand Count Boards were able to determine that the discrepancies were due to the ovals on the ballots being filled in too lightly for the machine to read the vote, however they counted it based on what they felt was the "intent" of the voter.

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## Master Precinct and Race Selection Worksheet

Election: 2010 GENERAL

### SECTION A. SELECTED PRECINCTS (LIST IN ORDER SELECTED)

#32 St. David	#10 BI Terrace				
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Batch 1 Early Ballots 7 M-100's					
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### SECTION B. NUMBER OF RACES TO COUNT PER CATEGORY

RACE CATEGORY	TICK MARK TALLY	NUMBER OF RACES PER CATEGORY	RECEIVED PRECINCT HAND COUNT MARGIN WORKSHEET
1. Presidential Elector	0	0	YES
2. Statewide Candidate	1	1	YES
3. Statewide Ballot Measure	1	1	YES
4. Federal Candidate	1	1	YES
5. State Legislative	1	1	YES
Additional Races Needed			

### SECTION C. RACES TO BE COUNTED IN EACH SELECTED PRECINCT

Race To Be Counted	Category of Race
1. U.S. Representative	Federal
2. Governor	Statewide
3. State Senator	State Legislative 25 & 30
4. Proposition 203	Statewide Ballot Measure
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# AGGREGATE - EARLY BALLOT AUDIT - HAND COUNT REPORT - TOTAL FROM ALL BATCHES

Election: GENERAL 2010

Race Category: FEDERAL

Race: US REPRESENTATIVE

Batch #1 7 M-100'S	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
GIFFORDS	113	113	0
KELLY	146	146	0
STOLTZ	17	17	0
Totals:	276	276	0

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

Race Category: STATEWIDE

Race: GOVERNOR

Batch #1 7 M-100'S	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
GODDARD	78	78	0
BREWER	191	191	0
HESS	3	2	1
GIST	3	3	0
Totals:	275	274	1

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0.36%

Race Category: STATE LEGISLATIVE

Race: STATE SENATOR DISTRICTS 25 & 30

Batch #1 7 M-100'S	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
ALVAREZ	75	75	0
GRIFFIN	159	159	0
CAMENISCH	7	7	0
ANTENORI	31	31	0
Totals:	272	272	0

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

Race Category: STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURE

Race: PROPOSITION 203

Batch #1 7 M-100'S	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
YES	128	127	1
NO	144	144	0
Totals:	272	271	1

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0.37%

# AGGREGATE – PRECINCT BALLOT AUDIT - HAND COUNT REPORT - TOTAL FROM ALL BATCHES

**Election:** GENERAL 2010

**Race Category:** FEDERAL

**Race:** US REPRESENTATIVE

Precinct 10 BI TERRACE	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
GIFFORDS	103	103	0
KELLY	54	54	0
STOLTZ	12	12	0
Totals:	169	169	0

**Aggregated Margin**

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

**Race Category:** STATEWIDE

**Race:** GOVERNOR

Precinct 10 BI TERRACE	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
BREWER	65	65	0
GODDARD	101	101	0
HESS	1	1	0
GIST	4	4	0
Totals:	171	171	0

**Aggregated Margin**

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

**Race Category:** STATE LEGISLATIVE

**Race:** STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 25

Precinct 10 BI TERRACE	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
ALVAREZ	107	107	0
GRIFFIN	62	62	0
Totals:	169	169	0

**Aggregated Margin**

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

**Race Category:** STATE BALLOT MEASURE

**Race:** PROPOSITION 203

Precinct 10 BI TERRACE	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
YES	116	116	0
NO	50	50	0
Totals:	166	166	0

**Aggregated Margin**

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

# AGGREGATE – PRECINCT BALLOT AUDIT - HAND COUNT REPORT - TOTAL FROM ALL BATCHES

Election: GENERAL 2010

Race Category: FEDERAL

Race: US REPRESENTATIVE

Precinct 32 ST. DAVID	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
GIFFORDS	116	116	0
KELLY	363	361	2
STOLTZ	17	17	0
Totals:	496	494	2

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0.4%

Race Category: STATEWIDE

Race: GOVERNOR

Precinct 32 ST. DAVID	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
BREWER	392	392	0
GODDARD	94	94	0
HESS	7	7	0
GIST	4	4	0
Totals:	497	497	0

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0%

Race Category: STATE LEGISLATIVE

Race: STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 25

Precinct 32 ST. DAVID	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
ALVAREZ	108	108	0
GRIFFIN	384	383	1
Totals:	492	491	1

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0.2%

Race Category: STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURE

Race: PROPOSITION 203

Precinct 10 BI TERRACE	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
YES	195	195	0
NO	296	295	1
Totals:	491	490	1

Aggregated Margin

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100

0.2%